

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Began markup of the following bills: H.R. 1916, Migratory Bird Habitat Investment and Enhancement Act; H.R. 481, North Country National Scenic Trail Route Adjustment Act of 2009; H.R. 1641, Cascadia Marine Trail Study Act; H.R. 905, Thunder Bay National Sanctuary and Underwater Preserve Boundary Modification Act; H.R. 1771, Chesapeake Bay Science Education and Ecosystem Enhancement Act of 2009; and H.R. 1053, Chesapeake Bay Accountability and Recovery Act of 2009.

INADVERTENT PEER-TO-PEER FILE SHARING

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Held a hearing entitled “Inadvertent File Sharing Over Peer-to-Peer Networks: How It Endangers Citizens and Jeopardizes National Security.” Testimony was heard from Orlando Cabrera, former Assistant Secretary, Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development; and public witnesses.

LEAFY GREENS MARKETING AGREEMENTS

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Domestic Policy held a hearing entitled “Examining the Impact of Leafy Greens Marketing Agreements.” Testimony was heard from Michael R. Taylor, Senior Advisor, to the Commissioner, Food and Drugs, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; and Rayne Pegg, Administrator, Agriculture Marketing Service, USDA.

FOOD SAFETY ENHANCEMENT ACT OF 2009

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a non-record vote, a closed rule provides for consideration of H.R. 2749, the “Food Safety Enhancement Act of 2009.” The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. It provides that in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Rules Committee report shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representative Dingell.

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Committee on Science and Technology: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 3246, Advanced Vehicle Technology Act of 2009; H.R. 3165, Wind Energy Research and Development Act of 2009; H.R. 3029, To establish a research, development, and technology demonstration program to improve the efficiency of gas turbines used in combine cycle power generation systems; and H.R. 3247, To establish a social and behavioral sciences research program at the Department of Energy, and for other purposes.

SBA OVERSIGHT

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing entitled “Oversight of the Small Business Administration and Its Programs.” Testimony was heard from Karen Mills, Administrator, SBA; and William Shear, Director, Financial Markets and Community Investment, GAO.

AVIATION NAVIGATION TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on NextGen: Area Navigation (RNAV)/Required Navigation Performance (RNP). Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Richard L. Day, Senior Vice President, Operations, Air Traffic Organization, FAA; and Ann Calvaresi-Barr, Principal Assistant Inspector General, Auditing and Evaluation; and public witnesses.

MILITARY PARALYMPIC PROGRAM

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held a hearing on Meeting the Needs of Injured Veterans in the Military Paralympic Program. Testimony was heard from Dinah F.B. Cohen, Director, Computer/Electronic Accommodations Program, Office of the Assistant Secretary, Health Affairs, Department of Defense; Diane Hartmann, Director, Office of National Programs and Special Events, Department of Veterans Affairs; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Program Update. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

BRIEFING—IRAN UPDATE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterterrorism met in executive session to receive a briefing on Iran Update. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.